MDOT/ACEC Consultant/Vendor Selection Task Force II Summary of Revisions to Selection Process

December, 2005

- Overall Task Force Objectives
 - Reduce time and effort of both selection teams and consultants
 - Improved distribution of available work among qualified consultants
 - Open/fair/objective/legal selection process
- Current Process
- 2-3 week posting of RFP's
- Review of all proposals by Selection Team members
- Consensus scoring of all proposals
- Central Selection Review Team (CSRT) review/approval of recommended consultants

❖ New Proposed Process

All Contracts

- Clarified Proposal and Evaluation Process
 - o New Selection Team Guidelines
 - o Revised Consultant/Vendor Selection Guidelines
 - o Revised Guidance Document to MDOT Selection Teams
 - One-Stop Shopping' on MDOT Internal Website for MDOT Project Managers and Selection Team members
- Established 'Tiers' of Contracting Levels

Small Contracts less than \$25,000 – no change to current process

Tier II and III Contracts (Greater than \$100,000)

• Bi-Weekly Selections

Tier I Contracts (\$25,000 to less than \$100,000)

- Posting of all RFP's
- Bi-Weekly selections
- 3-page limit to consultant proposals
- Simplified evaluations by selections teams
 - o No scoring
 - o Determination of "equally most qualified," or "top band" of consultants
 - Selection Teams can follow the Tier II or Tier III process for unique projects with Region Engineer/Division Administrator approval
 - o Evaluation criteria
 - ✓ Qualifications of team leader
 - ✓ Qualifications of team
 - ✓ Vendor's past performance include both MDOT and non-MDOT work

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- Selection Teams may, with the Region Engineer's/Division Administrator's approval, recommend a single, most qualified consultant firm for projects with unique characteristics
- o Selections Teams will identify at least 3 vendors in a "short listing" using evaluation factors
- o All Tier I "short listings" will go to CSRT for final selection based on:
 - ✓ Current workload
 - ✓ Performance history
 - ✓ Consideration of new vendor/service status
 - ✓ DBE/MBE considerations
- * CSRT to expand membership to include four new members and a formal sponsor:
 - Existing members:

Wayne Roe

Jim Culp

Matt DeLong

Pauline Misjak

Bill Tansil

• Four new members:

Roger Safford

TSC Manager (TBD)

Myron Frierson

Cheryl Strayhorn

• Sponsor: Chief Deputy Director Kirk Steudle

❖ CSRT will:

- Meet bi-weekly to review/approve Tier II and III Selections
- Meet biweekly to select consultants for Tier I contracts from short lists
- Monitor all selections to ensure that departmental goals and objectives are met
- ❖ More detailed information on process revisions to be provided following final briefings to department and industry. Implementation is planned for January 1, 2006. Follow-up 'rubber meets the road' training to be provided in the field **if necessary.**